



Jason Bowers (left), a Park Ranger at Woodcock Lake, and Northern Area Manager Pete O'Connell interviewing a student from Slippery Rock University.

## Northern Area participates in job fair

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On Dec. 8 and 9, Woodcock Lake Park Ranger Jason Bowers, Shenango Lake Park Ranger Kyle Kraynak and Northern Area Manager Pete O'Connell participated in the 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Slippery Rock University Park and Resource Management Job Fair.

Sixteen applicants from Slippery Rock University, Geneva College and Butler County Community College were interviewed for 2011 Student Temporary Employment Program (STEP) park ranger positions.

State and federal agencies in attendance included Delaware State Parks, the Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, the U.S. Forest Service, the National Park Service and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. Candidates were interviewed for STEP positions at reservoirs in both the Northern and Southern Areas of the Pittsburgh District.

STEP Park Rangers perform a variety of tasks, including camper registration, recreation area and lake patrol, maintenance, visitor assistance, wildlife management and water safety awareness.